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Sir

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by three months. Credit card payment in the amount of \$555.00 is submitted via EFS-WEB for the petition fee in accordance with 37 CFR 1.17 computed as:

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Respectfully submitted,

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